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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Wickenden et al.

Application No.: 09/939,230

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For: METHODS FOR TREATING OR  
PREVENTING PAIN AND ANXIETY

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AMENDMENT AND SUBMISSION  
UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

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Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2005. With this submission, Applicants respectfully request continued examination of the above identified application under 37 CFR §1.114. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) accompanies this amendment. Applicants petition to extend the period for filing a response in the above-identified U.S. patent application for three months from August 28, 2005 to December 28, 2005. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following remarks. A signed expert declaration of Dr. Douglas S. Krafte is attached hereto.